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WYOMING CATTLE INVENTORY DOWN 2 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR; U.S. DOWN 1 PERCENT

The inventory of all **cattle and calves** on Wyoming ranches and farms on January 1, 2011 totaled 1.30 million head, according to Heather Depra with the Wyoming Field Office of USDA NASS. This is down 2 percent from last year.

The number of **beef cows** that have calved was unchanged from last year at 694,000 head. **Beef cow replacement heifer** inventory was 140,000 head, down 5,000 head from a year ago. The number of **milk cows** was 6,000 head, unchanged from the previous year. There were 40,000 bulls on hand January 1, 2011, unchanged from a year ago.

The total inventory of **steers, other heifers not intended for breeding, and calves under 500 pounds** was 415,000 head, down 3 percent from a year earlier. Steers totaled 160,000 head, down 15,000 head from a year earlier; other heifers totaled 160,000 up 15,000; and calves totaled 95,000, down 15,000 head from the previous year.

There were 66,000 head of cattle in Wyoming being fed on January 1 to go directly to slaughter, up 1,000 head from last year.

The 2010 **calf crop** in Wyoming totaled 660,000 head, down 10,000 head or 1 percent from 2009.

UNITED STATES: All cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2011, totaled 92.6 million head, 1 percent below the 93.9 million on January 1, 2010.

All cows and heifers that have calved, at 40.0 million, were down 1 percent from the 40.5 million on January 1, 2010. **Beef cows**, at 30.9 million, were down 2 percent from January 1, 2010. **Milk cows**, at 9.1 million, were up 1 percent from January 1, 2010.

Other class estimates on January 1, 2011, and the change from January 1, 2010, are as follows: **all heifers** 500 pounds and over, 19.5 million, down 1 percent; **beef replacement heifers**, 5.2 million, down 5 percent; **milk replacement heifers**, 4.6 million, up 1 percent; **other heifers**, 9.8 million, up 1 percent; **steers** weighing 500 pounds and over, 16.4 million, down 1 percent; **bulls** weighing 500 pounds and over, 2.2 million, down 2 percent; and **calves** under 500 pounds, 14.5 million, down 3 percent.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in all feedlots totaled 14.0 million, up 3 percent; the combined total of calves under 500 pounds, and other heifers and steers over 500 pounds outside of feedlots was 26.7 million, down 3 percent.

The 2010 **calf crop** was estimated at 35.7 million head, down 1 percent from 2009. This is the smallest calf crop since the 34.9 million born during 1950. Calves born during the first half of the year are estimated at 25.9 million, down 1 percent from 2009.

ALL CATTLE AND CALVES, JANUARY 1, 2010-11 WYOMING AND U.S.

Class	Wyoming			United States		
	2010	2011	2011 as % of 2010	2010	2011	2011 as % of 2010
	Thousand Head		Percent	Thousand Head		Percent
All Cattle and Calves	1,320	1,300	98	93,881.2	92,582.4	99
All Cows and Heifers that have Calved	700	700	100	40,456.4	40,014.2	99
Beef Cows	694	694	100	31,370.9	30,864.6	98
Milk Cows	6.0	6.0	100	9,085.5	9,149.6	101
Heifers 500 Pounds & Over						
For Beef Cow Replacement	145	140	97	5,451.0	5,157.6	95
For Milk Cow Replacement	5.0	5.0	100	4,526.2	4,557.2	101
Other Heifers	145	160	110	9,768.6	9,818.0	101
Steers 500 Pounds & Over	175	165	91	16,510.4	16,382.0	99
Bulls 500 Pounds & Over	40	40	100	2,190.1	2,153.1	98
Heifers, Steers & Bulls Under 500 Pounds	110	95	86	14,978.5	14,500.3	97

CALF CROP 2009-10 WYOMING AND U.S.

Area	2009	2010	2010 as % of 2009
Wyoming	670	660	99
United States	35,939.0	35,684.8	99